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FROZEN HEAD STATE PARK TO HOST CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS REUNION ON JULY 26

Nashville, Tenn. - Frozen Head State Park near Wartburg will host a Civilian Conservation Corps reunion from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. July 26. The event will honor the CCC's contributions to the state of Tennessee's parks and natural areas.

Anyone that served in the CCC, along with families, friends and interested members of the public, are invited to attend. The event will be an informal gathering at the visitor center, and snacks will be provided.

"This reunion will be a celebratory gathering of those CCC members who served at Frozen Head and at other locations throughout the state," said Michael E. Hodge, interpretative specialist. "The park is the perfect venue to reminisce with old friends and make new ones. We also encourage participants to bring along photographs and stories to share."

Established in 1933 by the U.S. Congress as a measure of the New Deal program, the Civilian Conservation Corps provided work and vocational training for unemployed young men through conserving and developing the country's natural resources. From 1933 to 1942, enrollees performed a variety of conservation activities, including reforestation, soil conservation, road construction, flood and fire control and agricultural management. The CCC was instrumental in the development of a number of Tennessee State Parks, and the results of CCC members' efforts can still be enjoyed today.

Frozen Head State Park is located in near Wartburg in Morgan County in the scenic Cumberland Mountains. The park contains undisturbed forest land, small streams and waterfalls, beautiful mountains and some of the richest wildflower areas in Tennessee. For more information about the CCC event at the park, please call (423) 346-3318.

Tennessee's 53 state parks offer diverse natural, recreational and cultural experiences for individuals, families, or business and professional groups. State park features range from pristine natural areas to 18-hole championship golf courses. For a free brochure about Tennessee State Parks, call toll free 1-888-867-2757. For additional information, visit our Web site at www.tnstateparks.com.

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